

Bose-Einstein condensate in time-dependent optical lattices

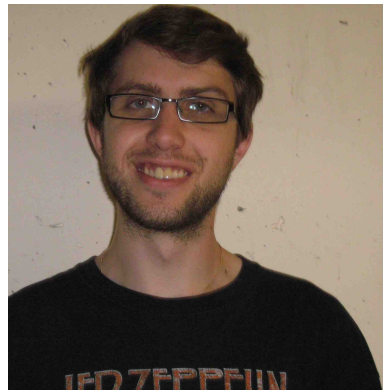


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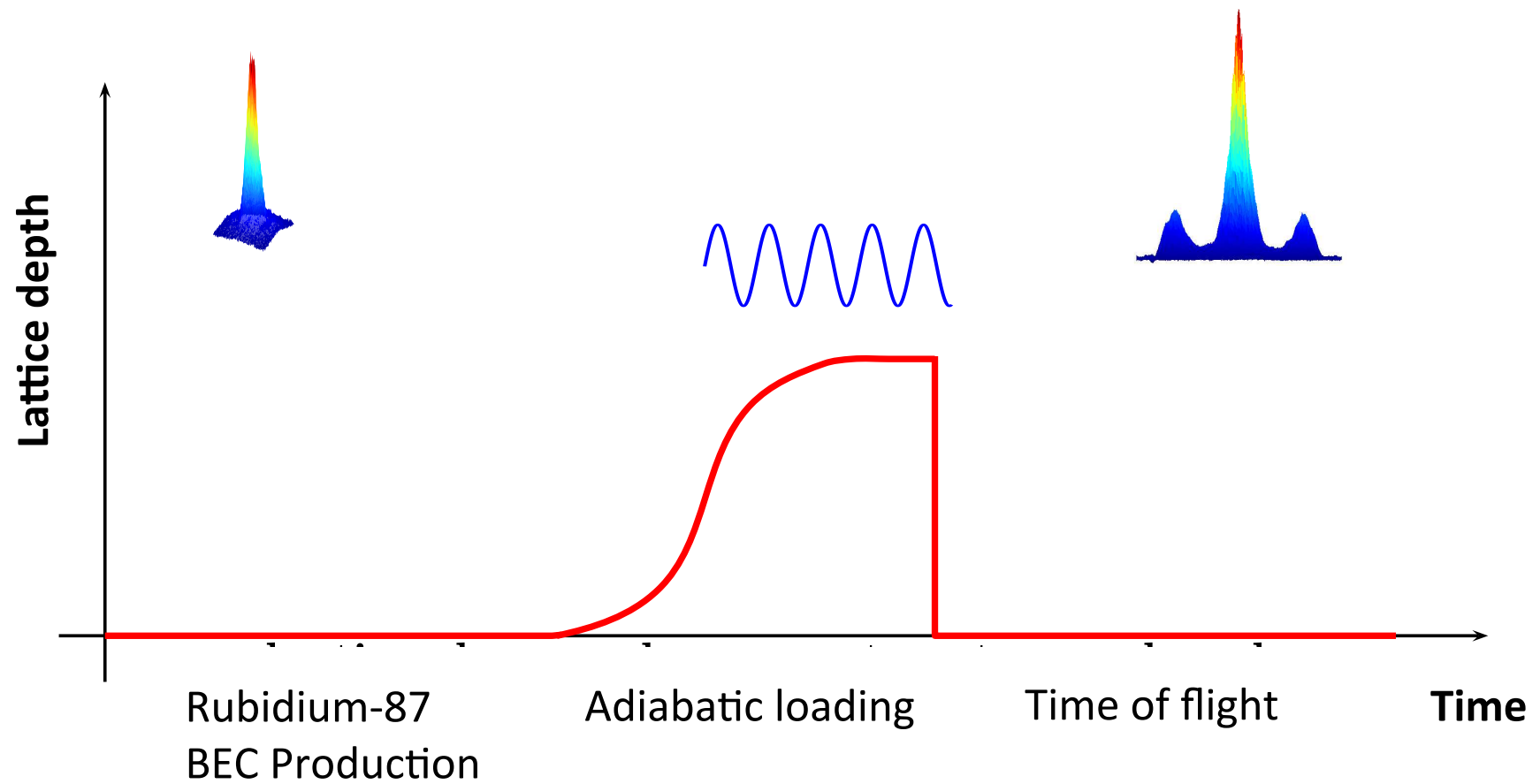
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Workshop: Quantum-Classical Transition in Many-Body Systems: Indistinguishability, Interference and Interactions (Dresden)

Loading procedure of a 1D horizontal lattice

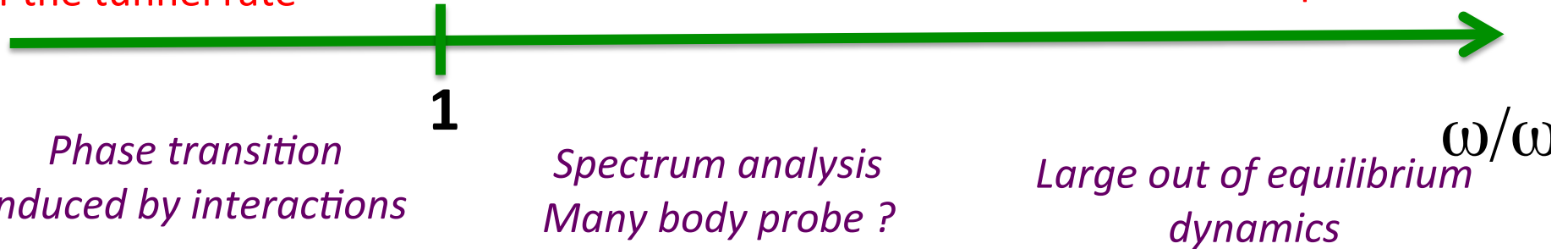


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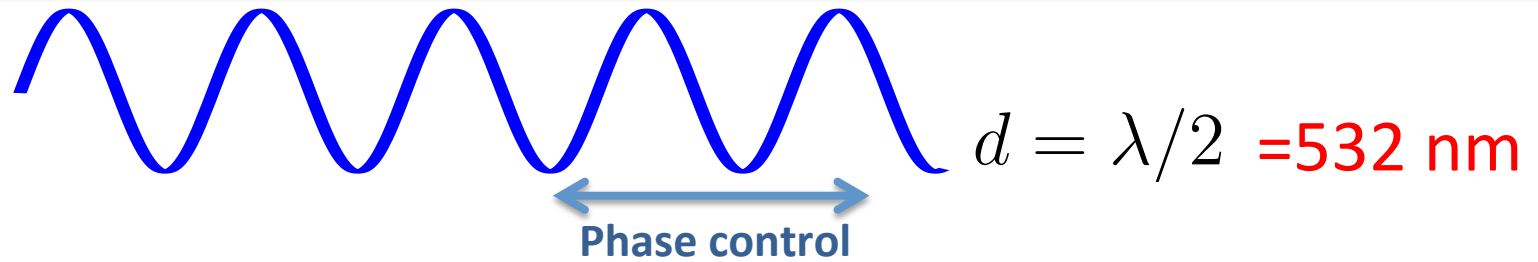


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Phase control of the optical lattice



$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} m \omega_{\text{ext}}^2 x^2 - s E_L \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi x}{d} + \theta(t) \right)$$

$$E_L = \hbar^2 / (2 m d^2)$$

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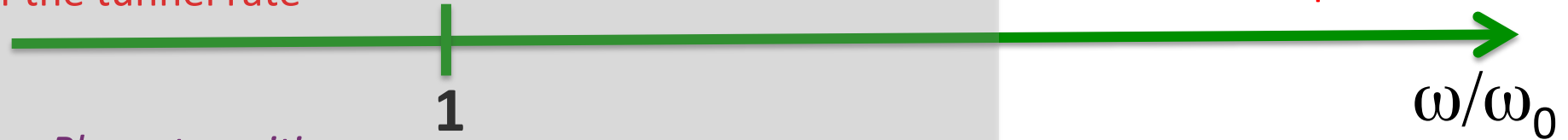
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Fast sinusoidal modulation of the phase

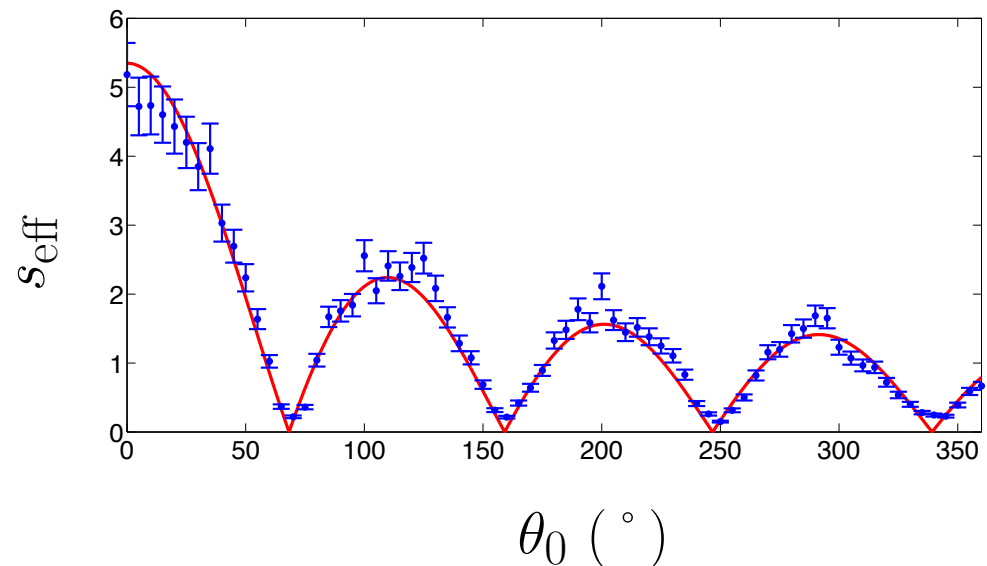
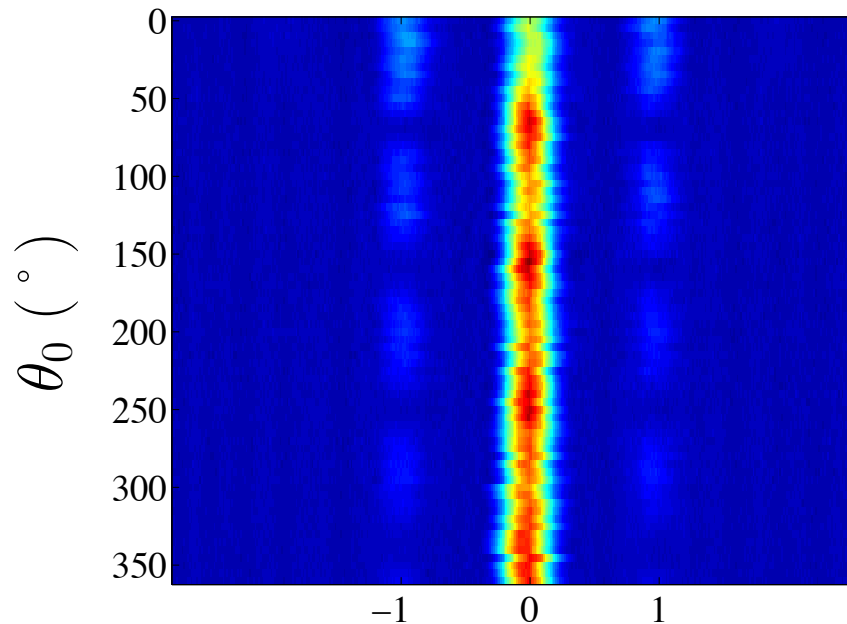
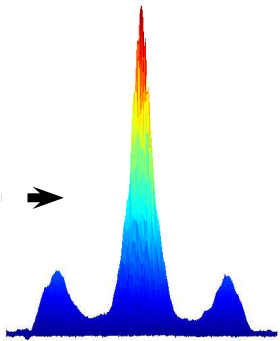
Renormalization of the lattice depth

$$\theta(t) = \theta_0 \sin(\omega t) \quad \omega \gg \omega_0$$

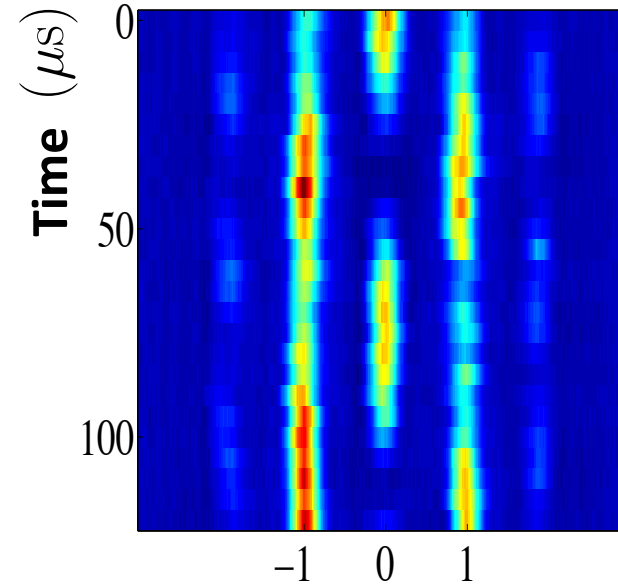
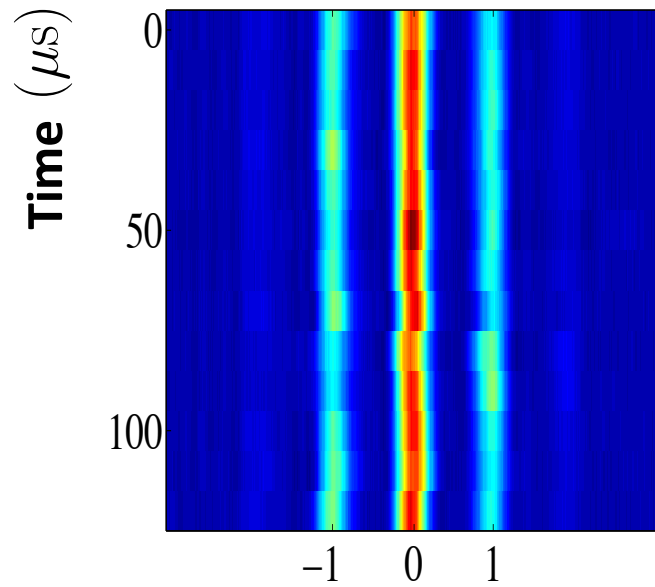
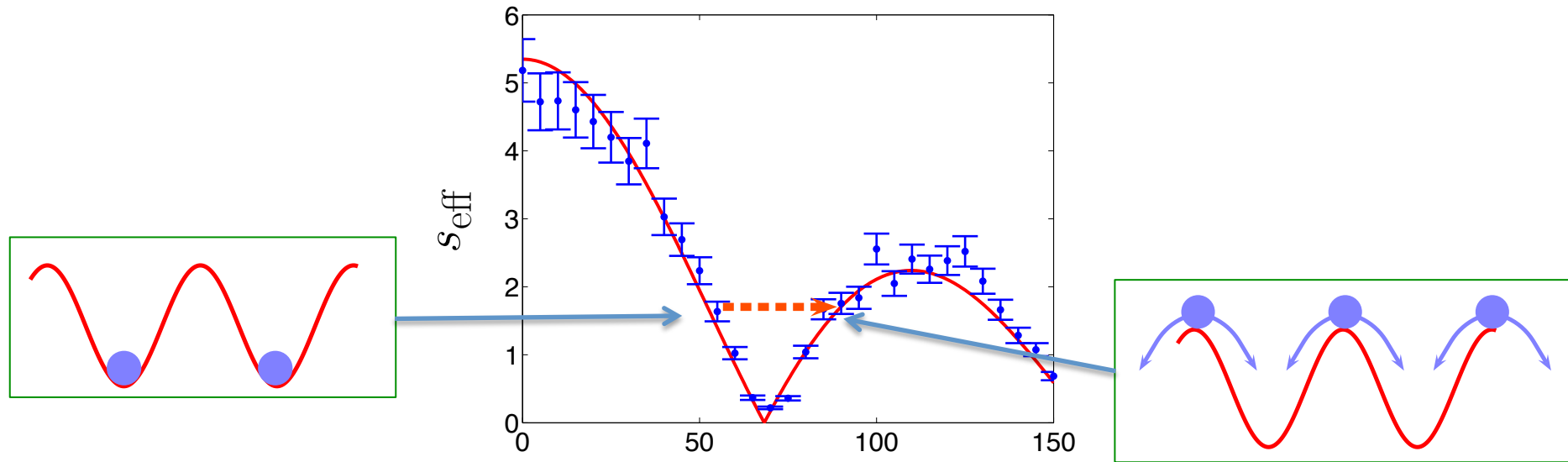
frequency of modulation \gg frequency of the micromotion

$$\langle V(x, t) \rangle = -sE_L (1 + \mathcal{J}_0(2\theta_0) \cos(k_L x))$$

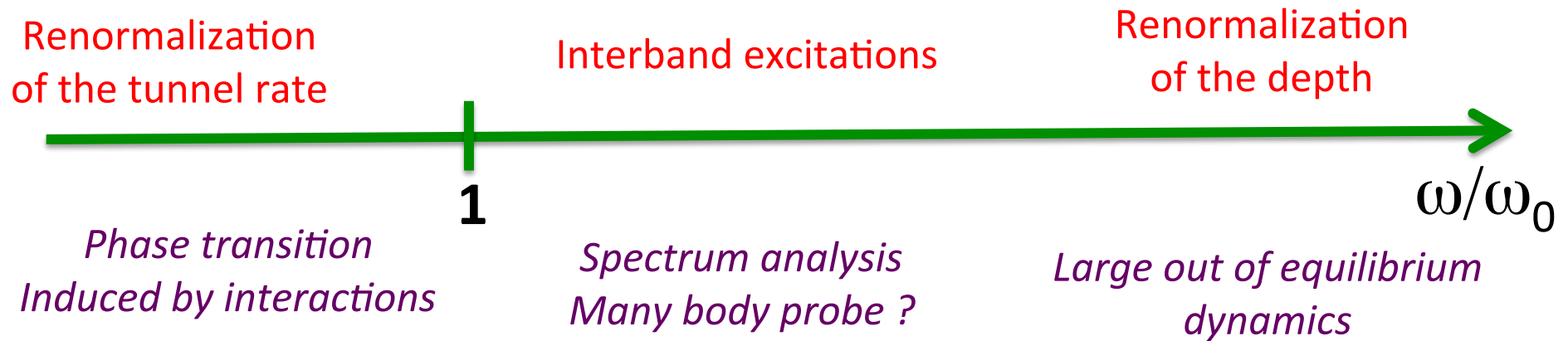
where $\mathcal{J}_0(2\theta_0)$ Bessel function order 0



Phase reversal



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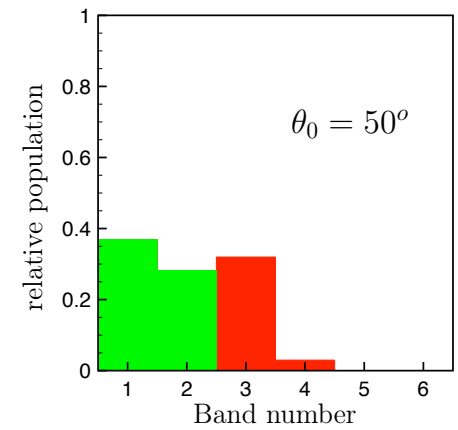
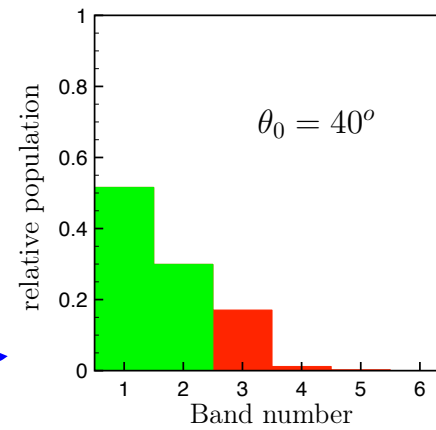
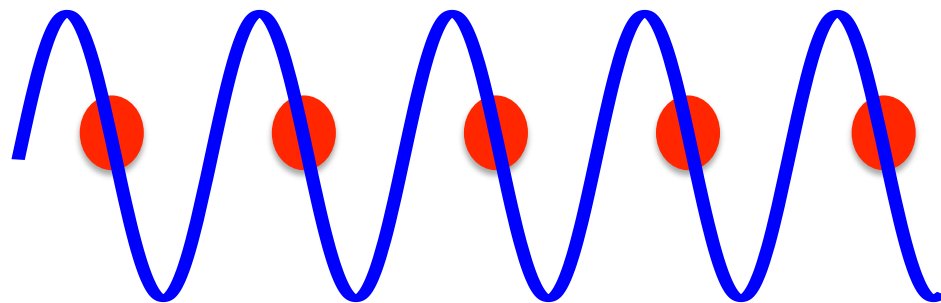
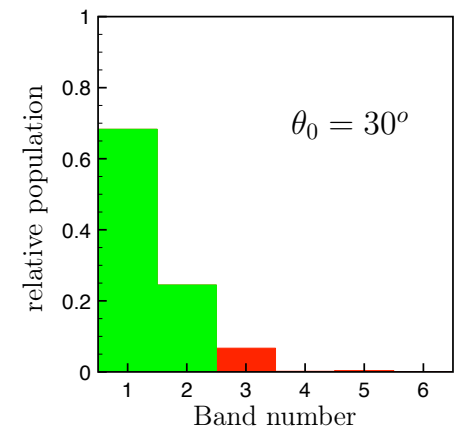
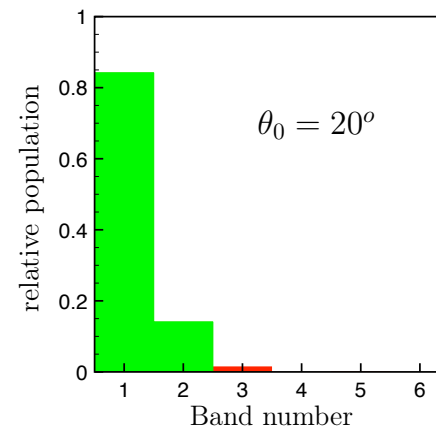
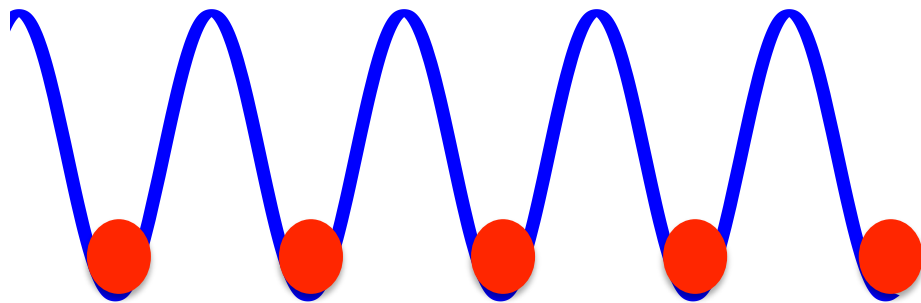
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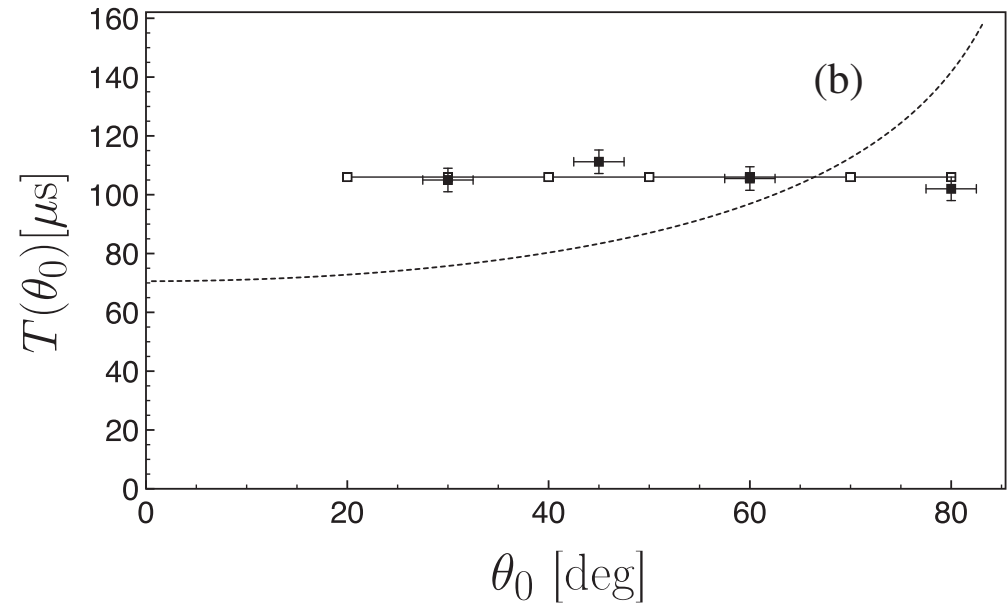
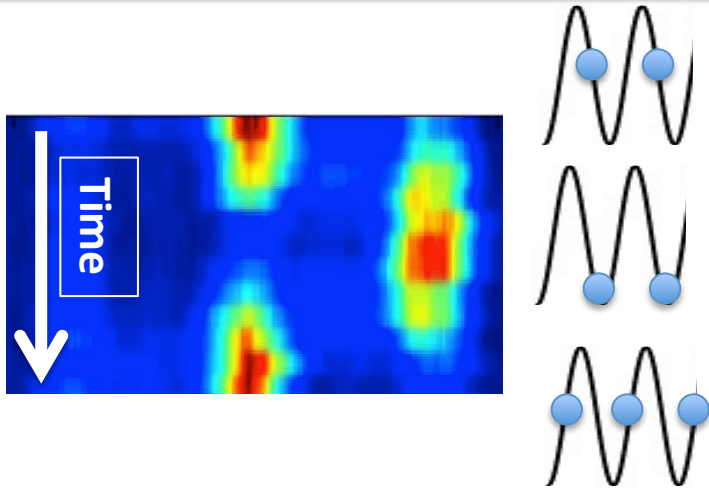
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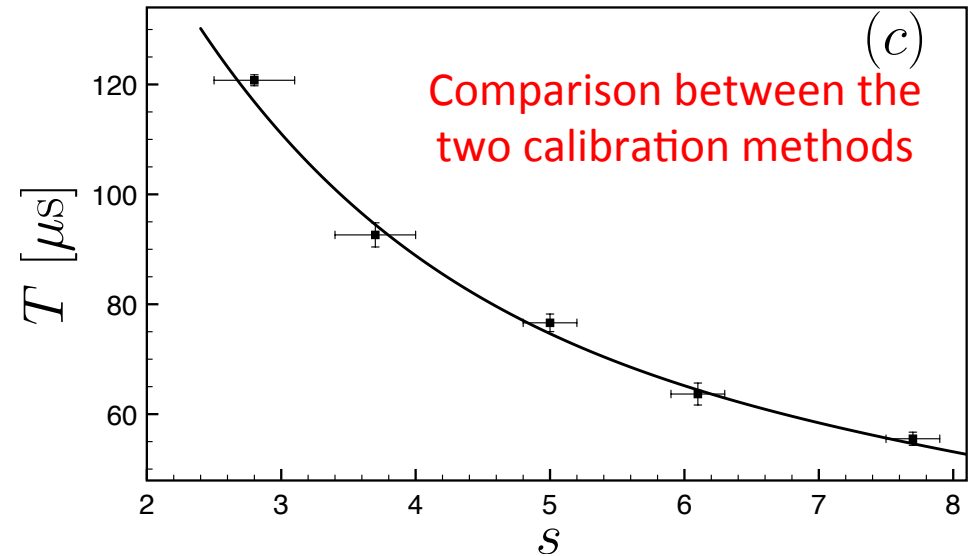
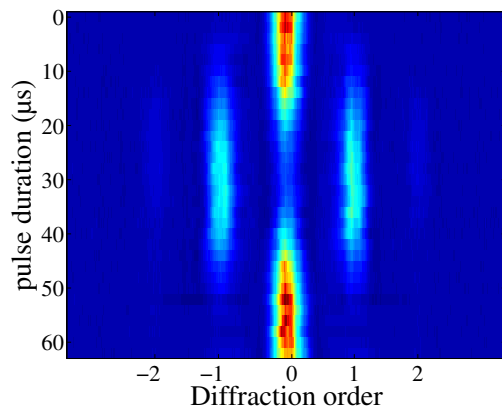
Initial state preparation: sudden phase shift



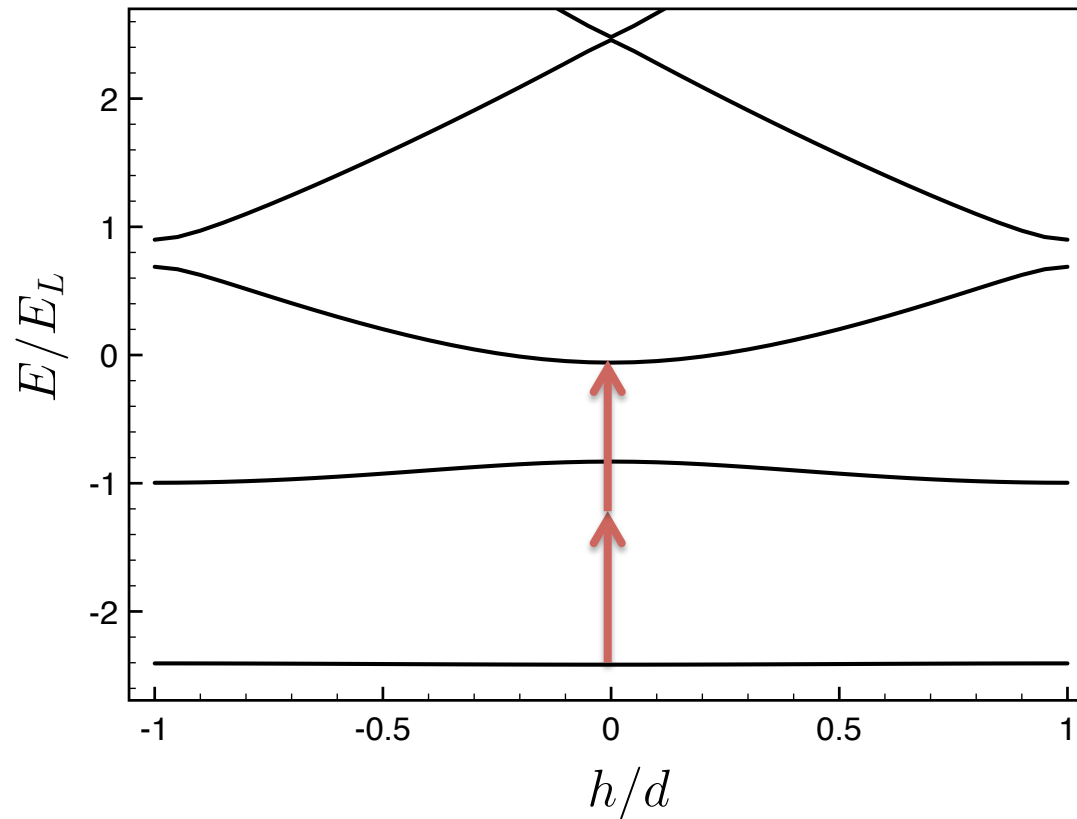
Oscillation period associated to the micromotion



Calibration of the optical lattice depth
Kapitza Dirac



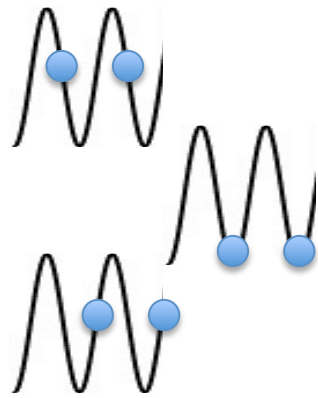
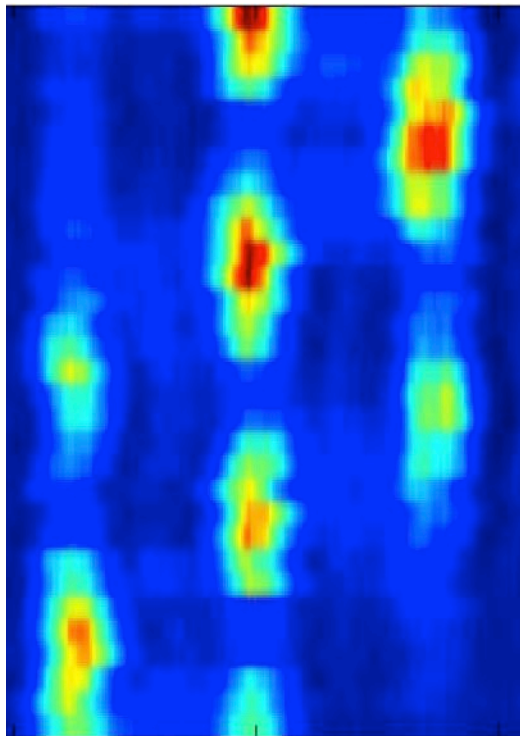
Interpretation of the intrasite dynamics



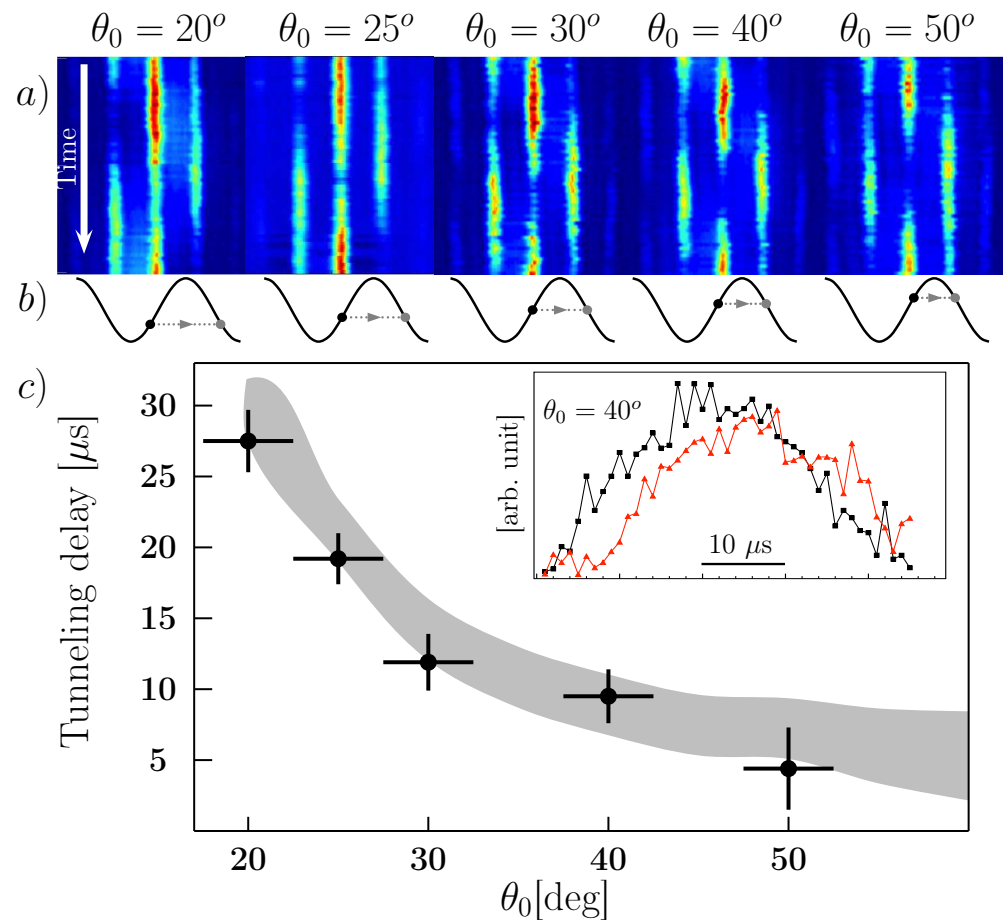
The two-phonon transition is coupled to the intrasite center of mass motion. This is the reason why the frequency of the dipole mode does not depend on the initial offset angle neither on interactions.

Direct tunneling time delay measurement

Time-of-flight
Information in velocity space



Experimental data



Tunneling time

Electron (strong field ionization process)

Mass

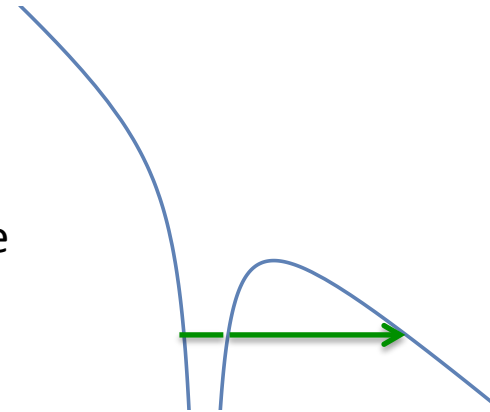
10^{-30} kg

Barrier thickness

10^{-11} m

Tunneling time

10^{-16} s



Atoms in optical lattice

Mass

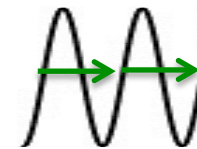
$1.45 \cdot 10^{-25}$ kg

Barrier thickness

10^{-7} m

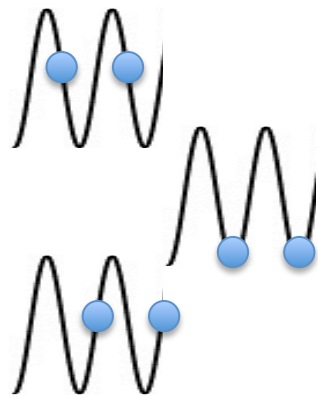
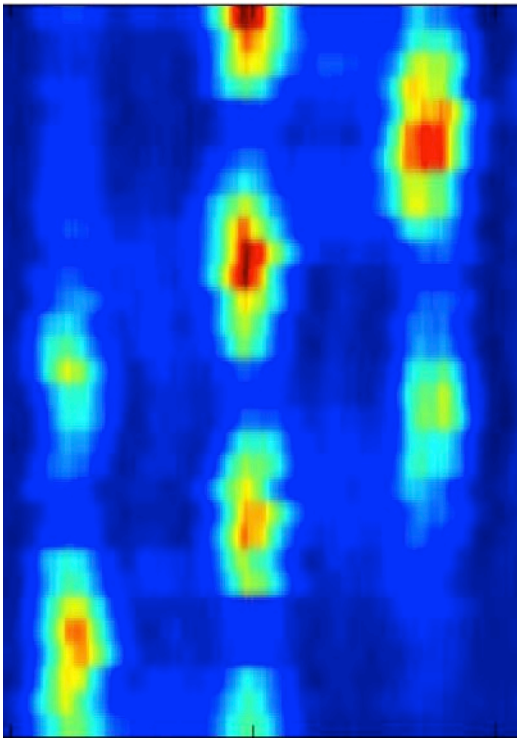
Tunneling time

10^{-5} s

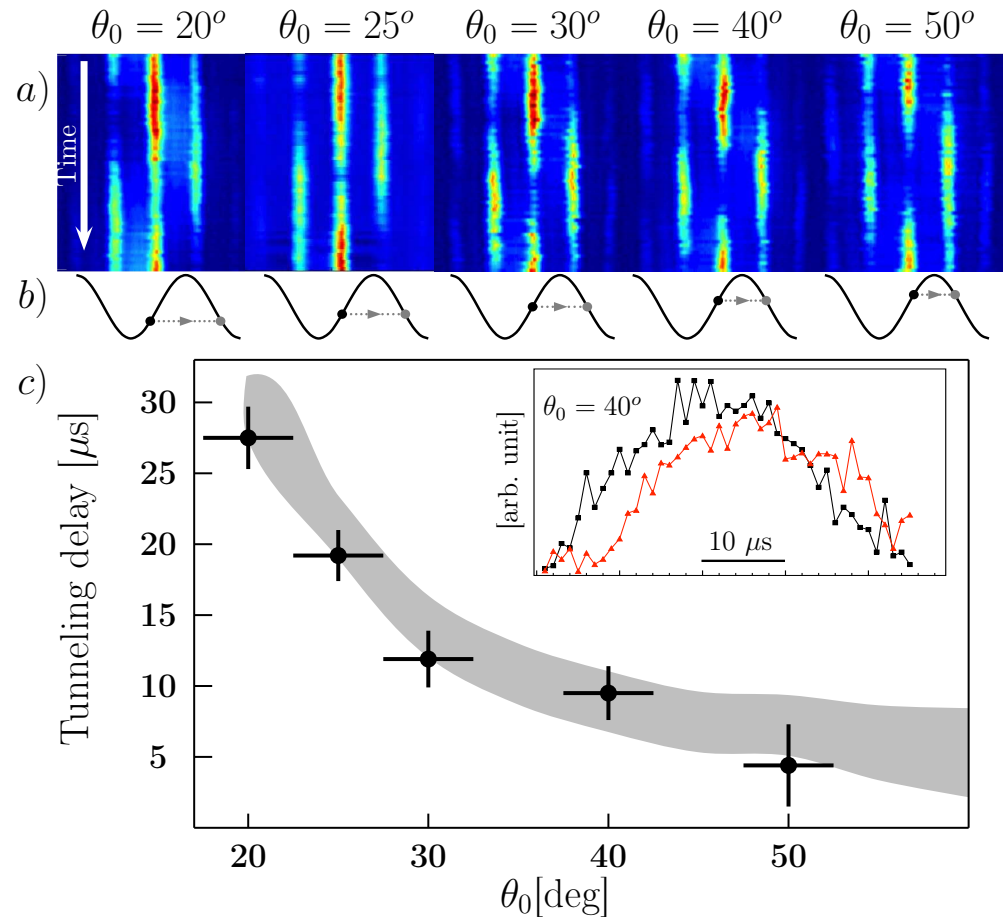


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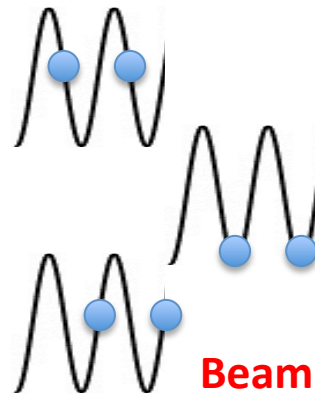
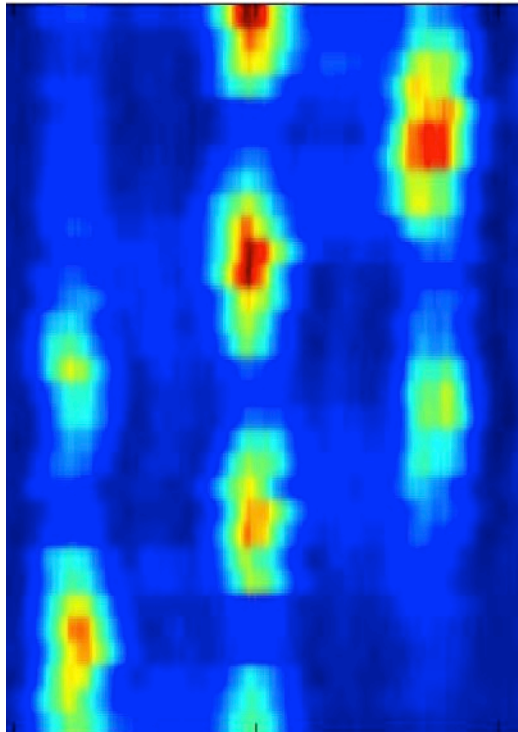
Beam splitter

$$|D\rangle = \cos \varphi |p_0\rangle + i \sin \varphi | - p_0\rangle$$

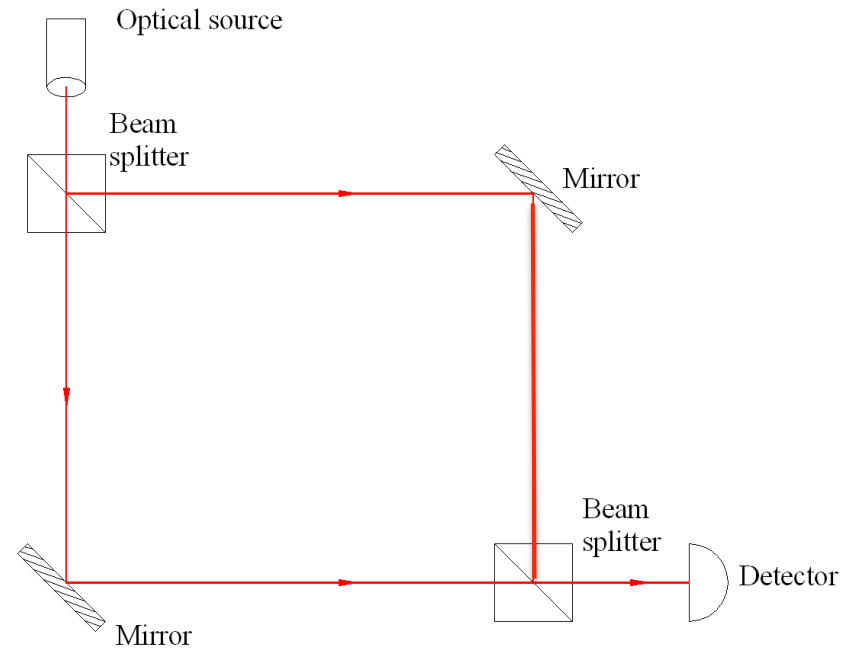
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Chain of micronsize Mach-Zehnder interferometer

**Time-of-flight
Information in velocity space**



**Mach-Zehnder
Constructive
interference**



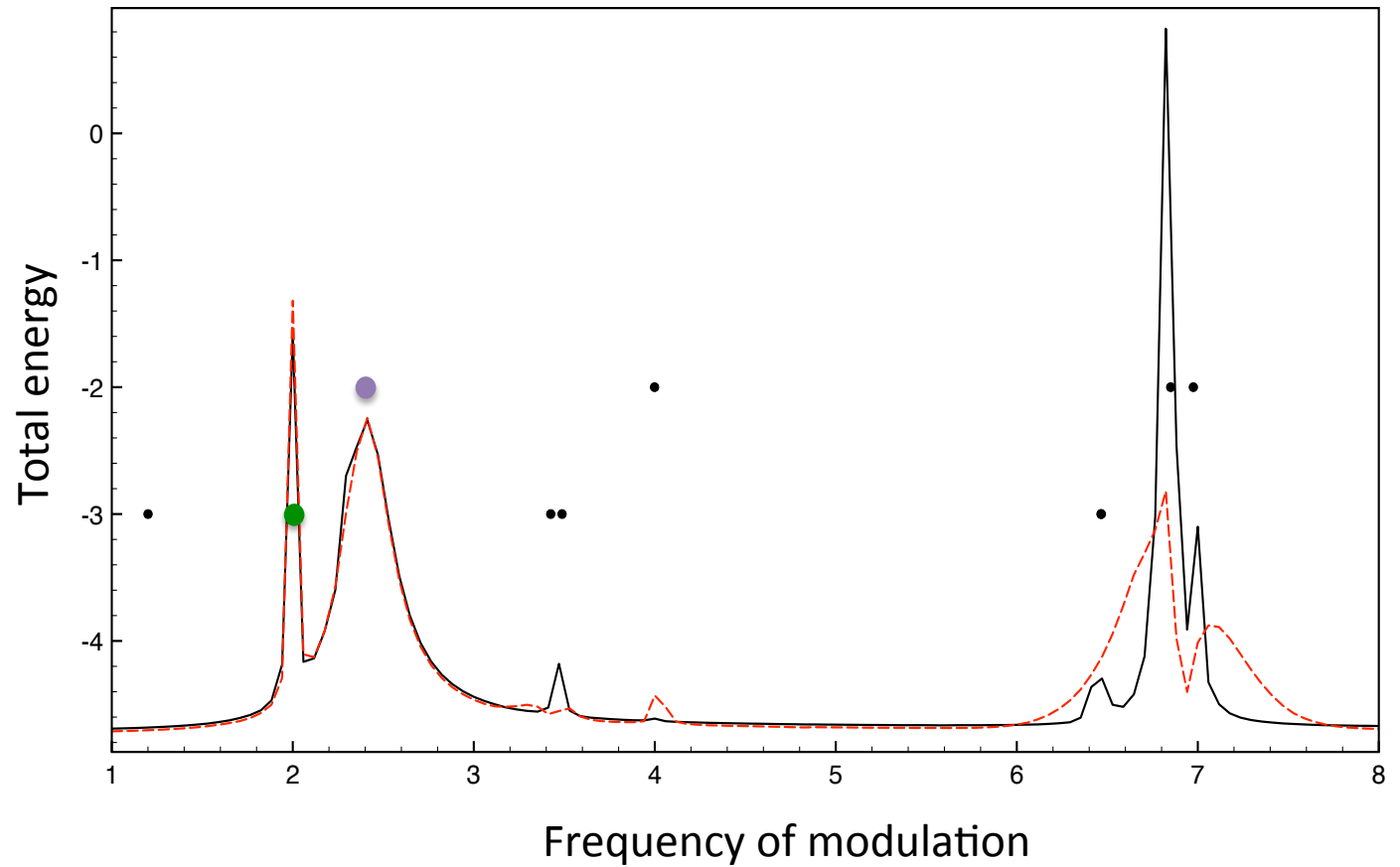
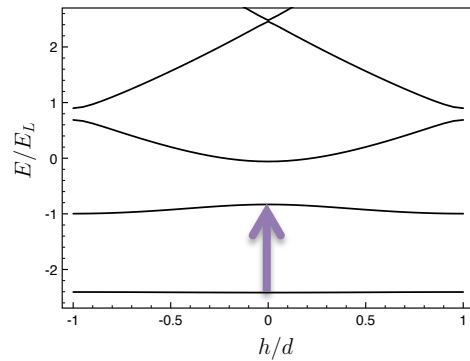
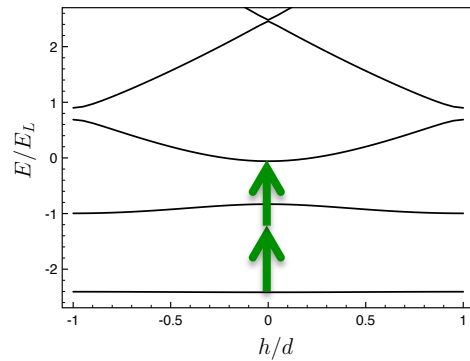
First beam splitter

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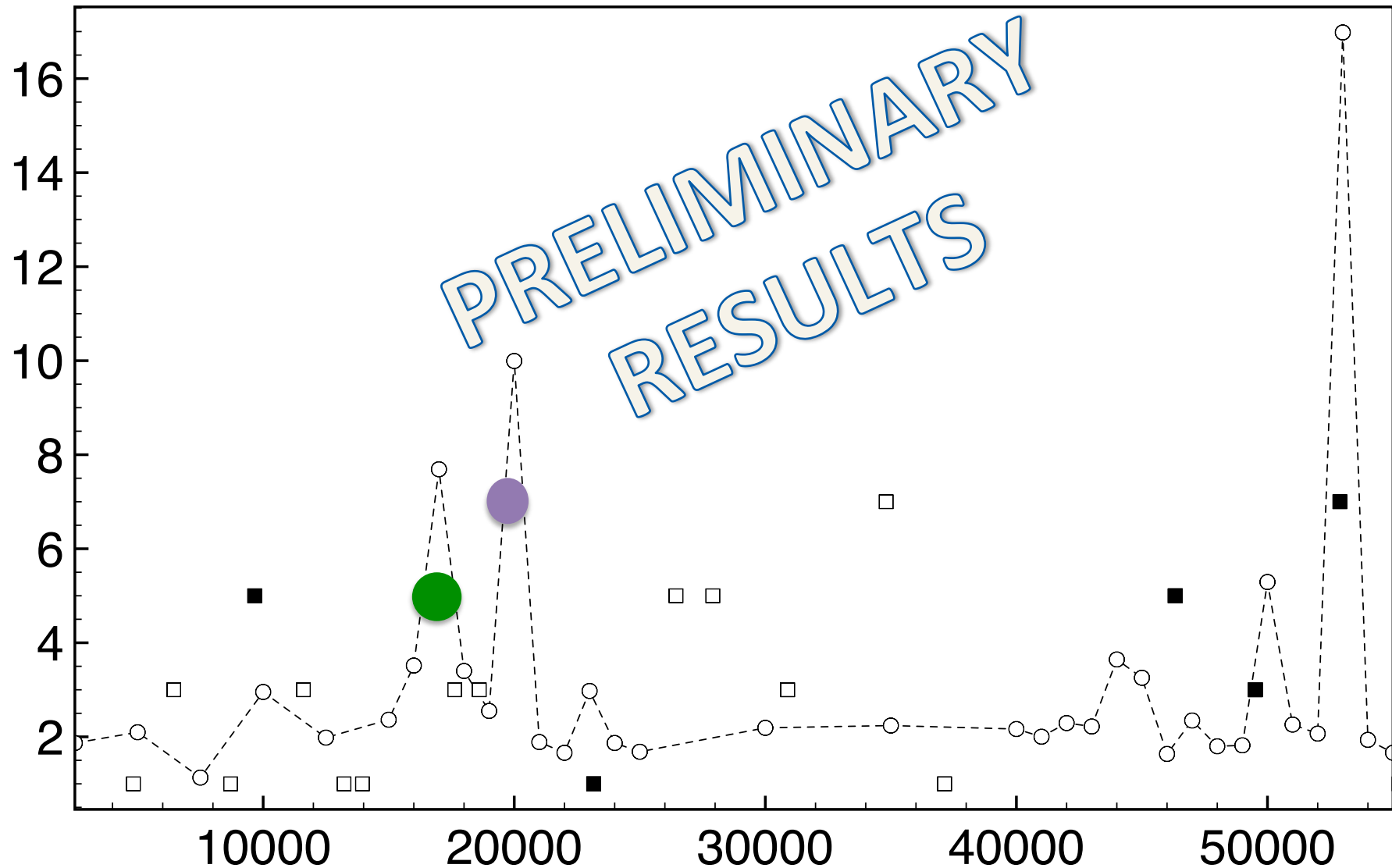
Second beam splitter

$$\begin{aligned} |F\rangle &= \cos \varphi (\cos \varphi |p_0\rangle + i \sin \varphi | - p_0\rangle) \\ &\quad + i \sin \varphi (\cos \varphi | - p_0\rangle + i \sin \varphi |p_0\rangle) \\ &= \cos(2\varphi) |p_0\rangle + i \sin(2\varphi) | - p_0\rangle \\ &= i | - p_0\rangle \quad \text{for } \varphi = \pi/4 \end{aligned}$$

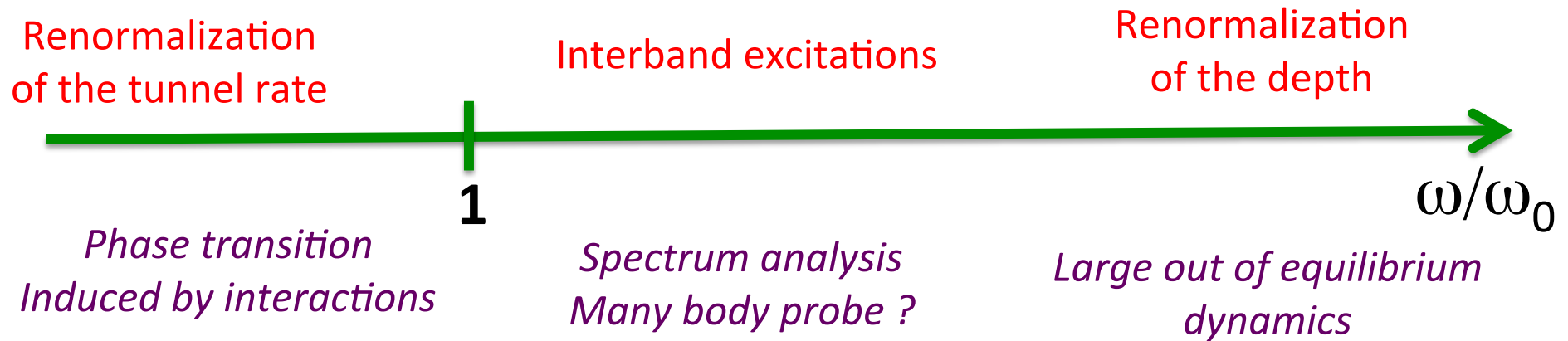
Spectroscopy as a probe of interactions (numerical results)



Spectroscopy as a probe of interactions (Experimental results)



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Slow sinusoidal modulation of the phase

Renormalization of the tunnel rate (Chu, Arimondo, Oberthaler, Sengstock)

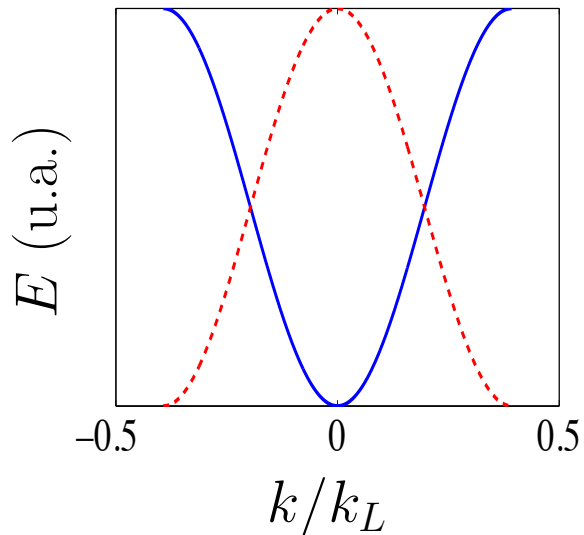
Frequency of modulation (2 kHz) $\varphi(t) = \varphi_0 \sin(\omega t) <$ frequency of the micromotion (10 kHz)

$$J \longrightarrow J J_0 \left(\frac{2\pi m \omega \varphi_0}{\hbar k^2} \right)$$

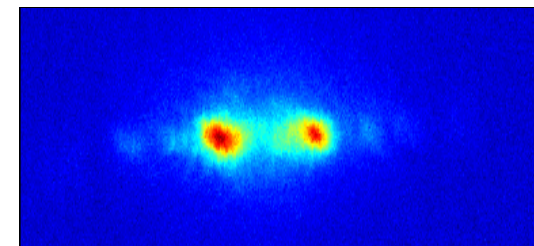
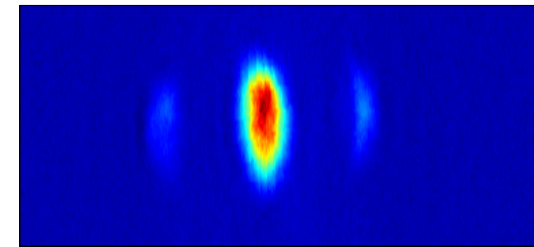
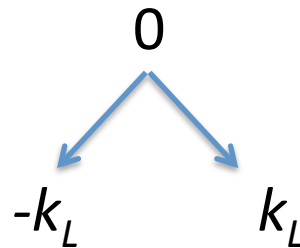
$$k = 2\pi/d$$

Qualitative picture

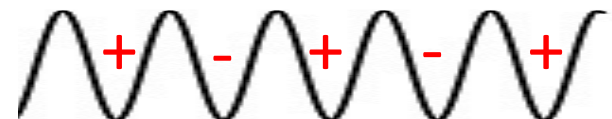
$$E_0(k) = -2J_{\text{eff}} \cos(kd)$$



Spontaneous degenerate
four wave mixing
triggered by a dynamical
instability



Staggered states

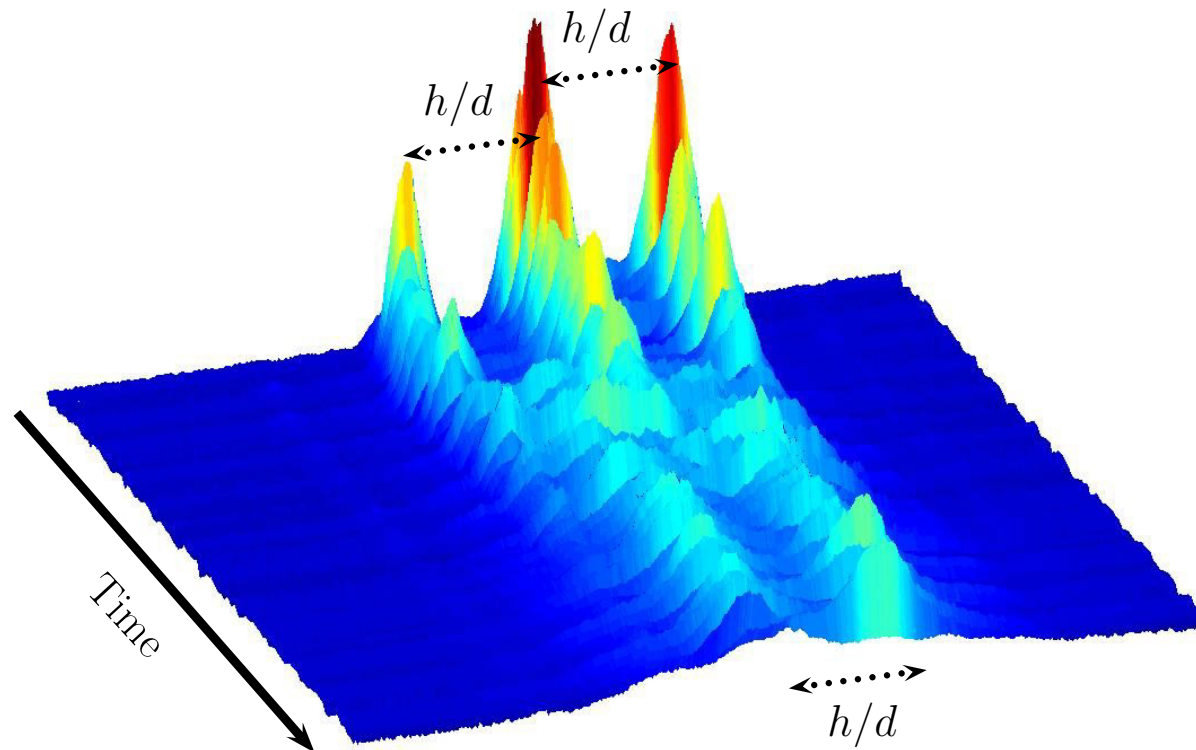


Systematic study of the kinetics

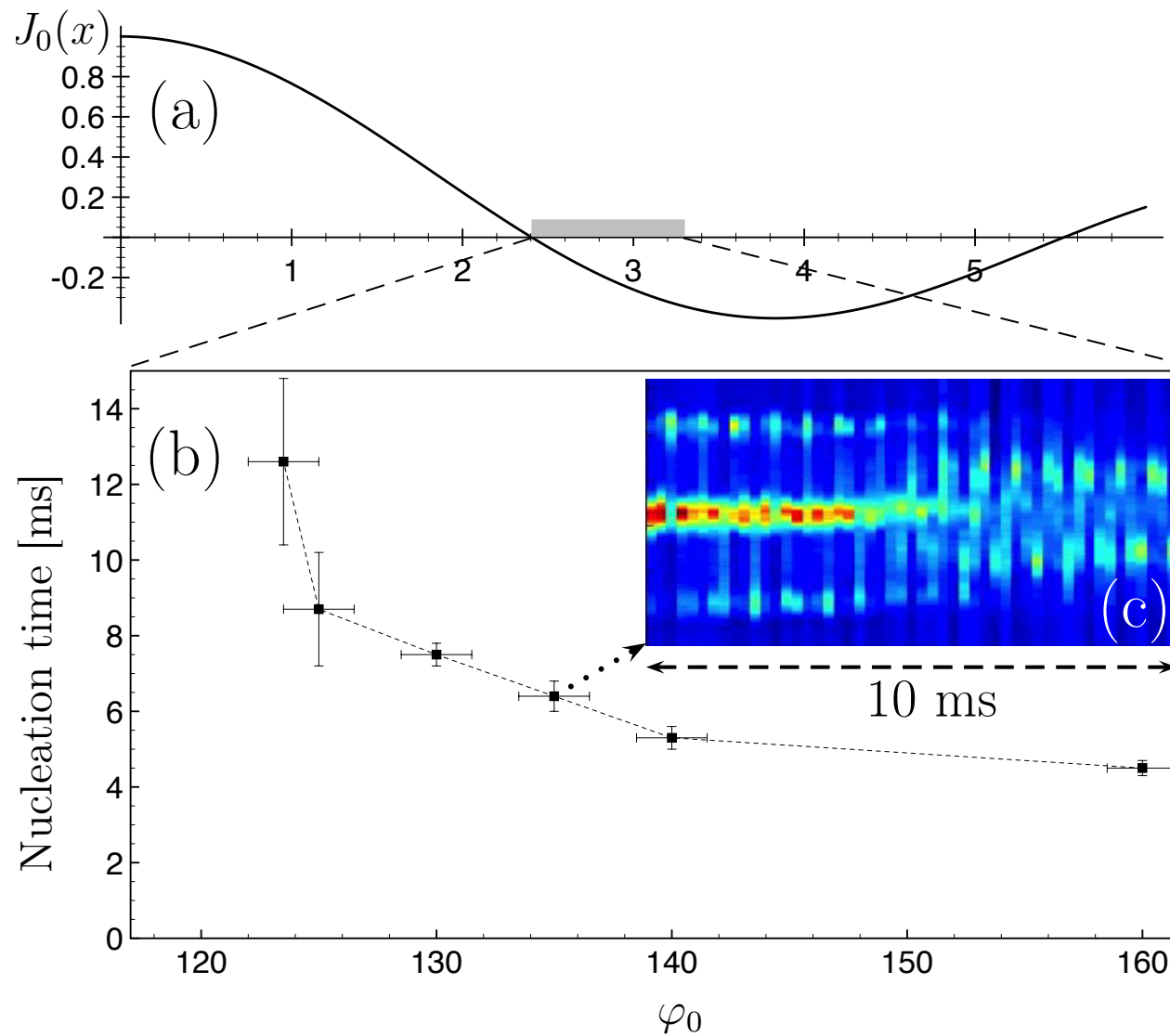
Bogolubov spectrum

$$(\hbar\omega)^2 = 4\bar{J}(1 - \cos kd)(\bar{J}(1 - \cos kd) + nU)$$

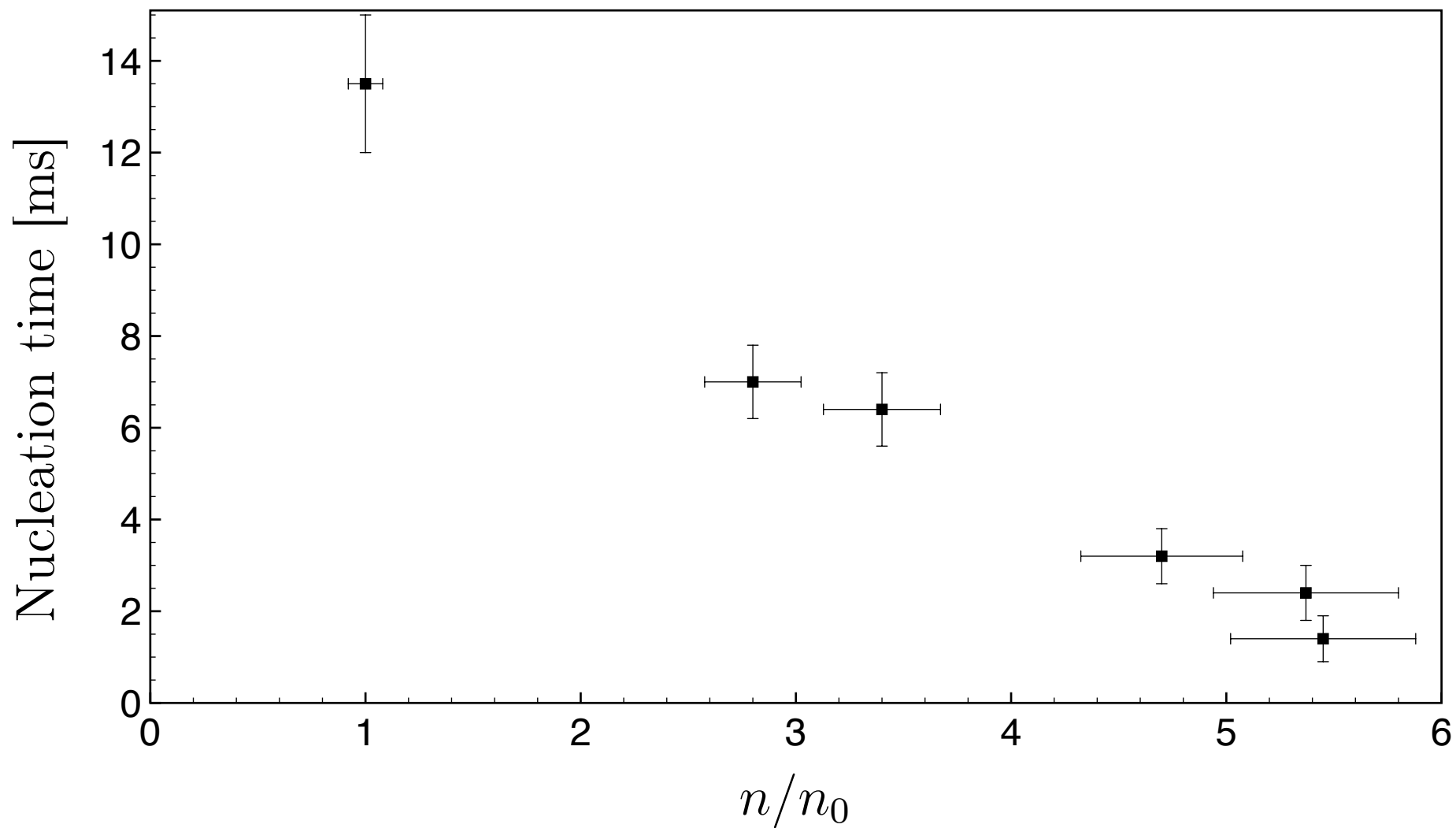
dependence in tunnel rate, J , and in the density



Nucleation of staggered states (1)

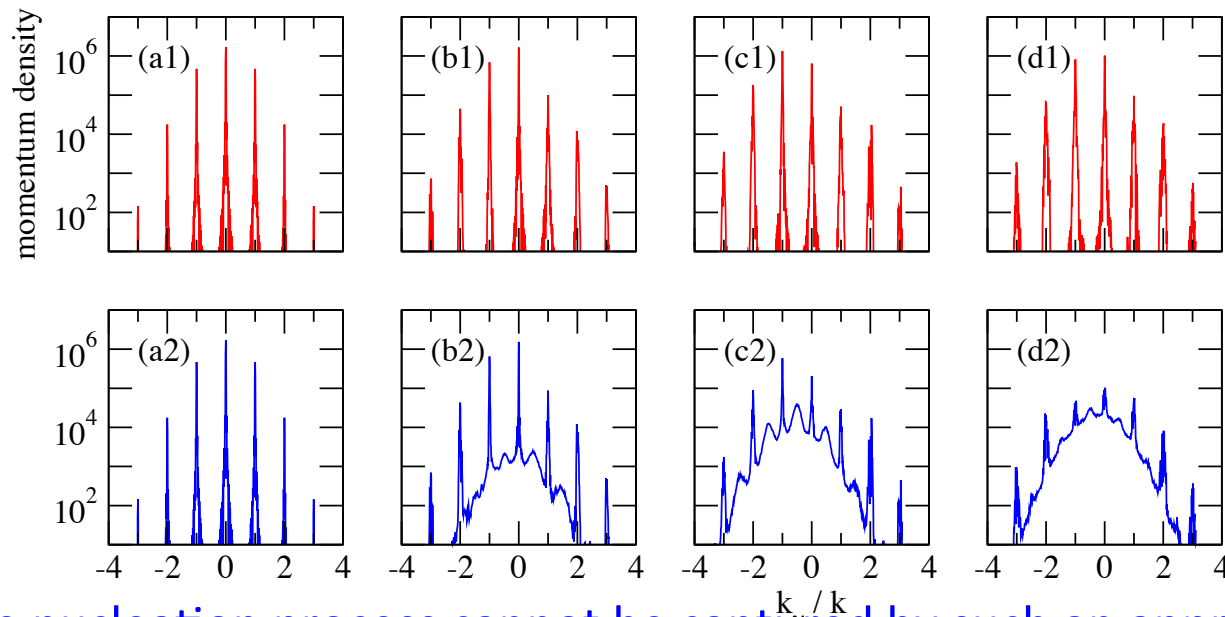


Nucleation of staggered states (2)



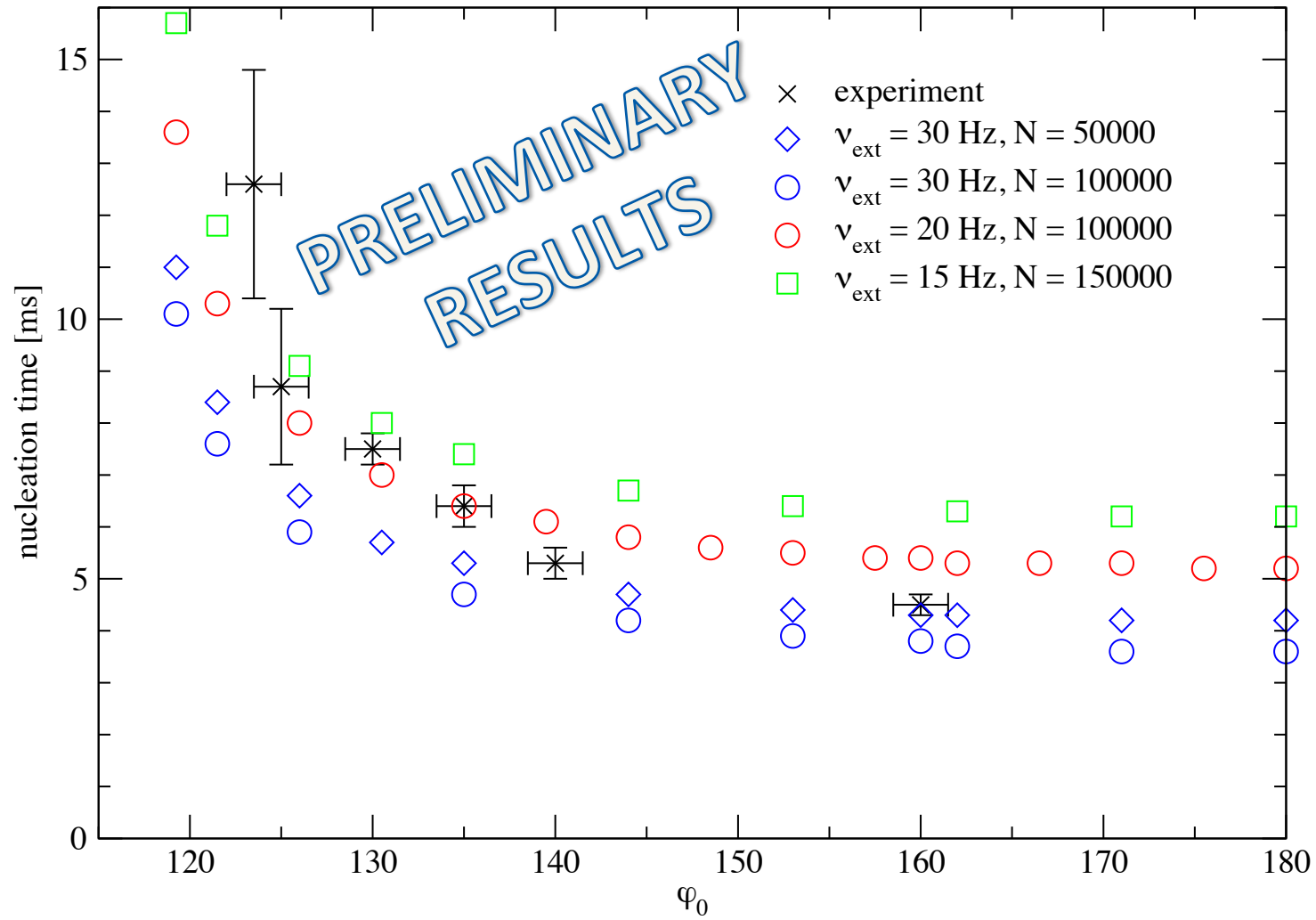
Comparison with theory

The traditional approach consists in using the Gross-Pitaevskii equation to account for the dynamics of Bose-Einstein condensates. This corresponds to a mean field approach.



The nucleation process cannot be captured by such an approach. We are obliged to use beyond mean field approaches. We setup a collaboration with the group of **Peter Schlagheck (université de Liège)** to develop such simulations within the Truncated Wigner approach.

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Conclusion

Phase modulation

- Renormalization of the potential
- Tunneling time delay
- Mach-Zehnder interferometer
- Quantum phase transition triggered by interactions

In situ probing of interactions ?

What about amplitude modulation ?

